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ACTION SY-05

INFO OCT-01 EA-09 ISO-00 MED-03 SSO-00 SYE-00 USPS-01
FBIE-00 USSS-00 OPR-02 DHA-02 ACDA-10 COME-00 AID-05
NSCE-00 INRE-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07
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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2192

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STATE FOR M/MED AND A/SY/FO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AMED, ASEC

SUBJECT: POST OFFICE WARNING DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1977

1. POST RECEIVED FOLLOWING MEMORANDUM DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1977,
FROM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE:

"SUBJECT: POST OFFICE WARNING DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1977

"A LETHAL FORM OF TEAR GAS LOOKING LIKE TALCUM POWDER CALLED
'LANCE' HAS BEEN MAILED TO VARIOUS GOVERNMENT OFFICES. IF
TASTED, IT WILL CAUSE INSTANT DEATH. IF SMELLED, IT WILL
CAUSE PERMANENT BRAIN DAMAGE. THEREFORE, EXTREME CAUTION
SHOULD BE EXERCISED WITH ANY SUBSTANCE RESEMBLING THE ABOVE
DESCRIPTION.

"THE SUBSTANCE COMES IN AIR-TIGHT PACKAGES HERMETICALLY
SEALED IN PLASTIC BAGS. SILVER FOIL AND BAGGIES WRAPPED
TIGHTLY AND COMPLETELY IN SCOTCH TAPE.

"PRESENCE IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA WHERE THE SUBSTANCE IS EXPOSED
MAY CAUSE BRAIN DAMAGE.

"ALL PACKAGES RECEIVED TO DATE ARE MAILED FROM ZIP CODE
11367. ALL PERSONNEL SHOULD BE ADVISED NOT TO OPEN ANY PACKAGES
RESEMBLING THE ABOVE."

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2. REQUEST DEPARTMENT FURNISH POST WITH ANY ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION KNOWN CONCERNING SUBJECT AND IN PARTICULAR, WHAT
ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN AND HOW TO DISPOSE OF THE MATERIAL
IF RECEIVED THROUGH THE MAIL.

3. POST HAS ISSUED WARNING TO ALL AMERICAN EMPLOYEES.

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Message Attributes

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Decaption Note:
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Disposition Approved on Date:
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Disposition Event:
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Disposition Remarks:
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Executive Order: N/A
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